



St Albert's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Newsletter Thursday, 01 December 2022

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Reconciliation

The Y4 Children made their First Reconciliation yesterday in church with children from St Brigid's. It was a lovely service, and the children are very well prepared. Thank you to all who have supported in their preparation.

Fr David will be sending out information with regards to Holy Communion in the new year and giving parents plenty of advance notice of parent's meetings.

Advent

As we entered the Holy Season of Advent, we celebrated with the children by lighting our first candle (Hope) on our Advent wreath. We will light a second candle in a reflection service on Monday morning.



School Christmas Shopping Day

A reminder that school is closed tomorrow for Christmas Shopping Day. We hope that you all have a lovely day however you chose to spend it.

Christmas Grotto

Our school Christmas Grotto will be open on Wednesday 7th December for children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. If you wish your child to visit the Grotto, please send in a £1 donation. This is an exciting time for our children and they always look forward to this as the start of our activities in school.

Year 3 Carols and the Cathedral

Year 3 are representing our school at the Cathedral on Wednesday 7th December. This will be a lovely occasion as schools from over the archdioceses will come together to sing. Mr Breen has already sent a letter out to parents. Please note that it is full uniform on this day, including black shoes, (no trainers) or PE kits.



Christmas Dinner Dates

Christmas Dinner is always a happy occasion in school. This year we have two Christmas Dinner Days Thursday 8th of Dec for Rec, Y1, Y2 and Friday 9th for Y3-6. Please note, on the day children are NOT having Christmas dinner, they will be offered a Party Box to enjoy in class. Please remember that children are allowed to wear Christmas Jumpers on this day.



Please refer to the back of the newsletter for the menu for your child's class for next week.

Parent Governor

A letter and ballot paper was sent out to all families this week. Please complete the ballot paper, voting for **ONE** candidate, and pass back to the school office in the envelope provided by Friday 9th December.



Christmas Gifts

This year, we know all parents will be under pressure financially, so we are suggesting that you do **not** buy any gifts for staff. We always love to receive your gifts, but this just adds to your pressure- a simple thank you is enough!

Christmas Arrangements

Please find our Christmas Activities attached to this Newsletter.

We are looking forward to a cheery and festive run up to Christmas this year. As per the last few years, they are all subject to change but we are hoping that as things are more settled now everything should run smoothly. There have been some slight changes in approaches i.e. limited numbers but I am sure that parents are supportive of this.

Pantomime

As you are aware Reception to Y6 will be visiting the Pantomime to see Jack and the Beanstalk on Wednesday 14th December. If you have not paid already, please make sure that you have paid the amount of £15 per child and return the permission letter back to school by Friday 9th December. If you require a permission letter, then you can collect one from the school office.



Key Stage 2 Performance Tuesday 13th December

Parents of Year 3 children are invited to the 10am performance. Parents of Year 5 children are invited to the 2pm performance. Parents of Year 4 will be split between the two performances. Initially we will ask for a preference and this will be given on a first come first serve basis. After that we will allocate all the remaining spaces. If you have a preference, please let the class teacher know this or call the office so that we can try and accommodate you.

Albie's Attire

As our mission is to Love, Learn and Serve. It is important we come together as a school and community to support one another.

With this in mind, we are going to introduce Albie's Attire- This will be a pop-up clothing store aiming to RECYCLE uniform and provide for all of our families needs. We will notify parents when we are able to accept stock. Please note that all clothing donated should be washed and clean. Keep your eyes peeled for our opening date.

This Week's Attendance

Since returning in September, attendance and punctuality has been at an all-time low. This week we have had **over 100 late marks across school which is unacceptable**. It is vitally important that your child attends school and is on-time.

Remember '5 to 9 is St Albert's time'.

Rec	87.5%
Y1	83.8%
Y2	88.4%
Y3	82.7%
Y4	80.8%
Y5	89.2%
Y6	77.8%

*At St. Albert's, our mission is walking together with Jesus to
LOVE, LEARN AND SERVE*

Our vision centres around the 'CHILD'

C for the Child, H for High Expectations, I for Inspirational & Memorable, L for Listening and D for Dreams and Doors.